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United Nations Staff College in Turin, Italy

The General Assembly,

Recalling the decision taken by the Secretary-General in January 1996 to establish, in Turin, Italy, the United Nations Staff College project for an initial period of five years,

Recalling its resolution 54/228 of 22 December 1999,

Reaffirming the importance of a coordinated United Nations system-wide approach to research and training based on an effective coherent strategy and an effective division of labour among the relevant institutions and bodies,

Welcoming the report of the Secretary-General[1] as well as the report of the Independent Evaluation Team,[2]

1. *Welcomes* the work of the United Nations Staff College project, in particular with regard to strengthening the performance of the United Nations in the areas of economic and social development and international peace and security and in promoting a common United Nations management culture;

2. *Expresses its deep appreciation* to the International Labour Organization for the technical, logistic and administrative contributions provided by its International Training Centre in Turin;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue consultations on an urgent basis with the Administrative Committee on Coordination and relevant United Nations organizations and to submit, as early as possible, a final draft of the statute for the College, reflecting, as appropriate, the outcome of these consultations on

* On behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the European Union.

[1] A/55/369.

[2] A/55/369/Add.1.

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functions, governance and funding for review and approval by the General Assembly, preferably at its fifty-fifth session, with a view to establishing the College as of 1 January 2002;

4. *Decides* to establish the United Nations Staff College as an institution for system-wide knowledge management, training and learning for the staff of the United Nations system, aimed, in particular, towards the creation of a framework for a common culture for economic and social development, peace and security and internal management;

5. *Decides* that, after the establishment of the Staff College, a biennial report should be submitted to the General Assembly on the work, activities and accomplishments of the College, including on collaboration with other relevant United Nations institutions.